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COMMANDER THOMAS HIRST HAYES, MEDICAL CORPS, UNITED STATES NAVY, ACTIVE,  
DECEASED

Re: Service of

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1898 Feb 8 Born at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

OFFICER SERVICE

1924 Jul 10 Commissioned, ad interim, Assistant Surgeon with the rank of Lieutenant (junior grade) from 10 Jul 1924.  
Aug 22 Accepted appointment and executed oath. To Naval Hospital, Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida for duty. Rep 23 Aug.  
1925 Mar 3 Commissioned, regular, (confirming ad interim), Assistant Surgeon with the rank of Lieutenant (junior grade) from 10 Jul 1924.  
Jul 10 Ordered detached 15 Aug Naval Hospital, Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida and to Naval Medical School, Washington, D. C. for temporary duty in course of instruction. Det 15 Aug Rep 27 Aug.  
Nov 12 Ordered detached Naval Medical School, Washington, D. C., and to St. Thomas, V. I., for duty. Det 12 Dec Rep 30 Dec. Detached Naval Station, St. Thomas, V. I., on 6 Nov 1928.  
1927 Nov 10 Commissioned, ad interim, Passed Assistant Surgeon with the rank of Lieutenant from 1 Jul 1927.  
1928 Feb 27 Commissioned, regular, Passed Assistant Surgeon with the rank of Lieutenant from 1 Jul 1927.  
Jul 5 Ordered to Receiving Barracks, Hampton Roads, Virginia for duty. Rep 14 Nov Det 28 Nov.  
Nov 24 Ordered to Naval Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts for duty. Rep 30 Nov 1928 Det 30 Nov 1931.  
1931 Oct 30 Ordered to the U. S. S. SABLE for duty. Rep 7 Dec 1931 Det 5 Jul 1933.  
1933 Jun 27 Ordered to Norfolk Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Virginia for duty. Rep 15 Jul 1933 Det 25 Apr 1936.  
1936 Apr 25 Ordered to VC Squadron 9-M, Aircraft One, St. Thomas, V. I., for duty. Rep 25 Apr 1936 Det 30 Jun 1937.  
1937 Jun 15 Ordered to Marine Scouting Squadron Three, St. Thomas, V. I., for duty. Rep 1 Jul Det 22 Dec. (Change in title of squadron).  
Oct 14 Ordered to Norfolk Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Virginia for duty. Rep 31 Dec 1937 Det 11 Sept 1940.  
1938 Jul 20 Commissioned, ad interim, Surgeon with the rank of Lieutenant Commander from 30 Jun 1937.  
1939 Feb 3 Commissioned, regular, Surgeon with the rank of Lieutenant Commander from 30 Jun 1937.

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and Allowments Section

1940 Aug 29 Ordered to the U. S. S. MILWAUKEE for duty. Rep 30 Sept 1940 Det 3 May 1941.  
 1941 Jun 4 Ordered to Twelfth Naval District, San Francisco, California for duty. Rep 6 Jun 1941.  
 Aug 22 Ordered to Sixteenth Naval District, Cavite, P. I., for duty at the Naval Hospital. Rep 23 Jul.  
 1942 Jan 2 Appointed Medical Inspector with the rank of Commander for temporary service to rank from 1 Jan 1942. (Act of 24 Jul 1941, Public No. 188-77th Congress).  
 Jan 6 Accepted appointment and executed oath of office.  
 Dec 21 Commissioned, regular, Medical Inspector with the rank of Commander from 1 Jan 1942.

American Defense Service Medal (Fleet Clasp)  
 Asiatic-Pacific Area Campaign Medal  
 PURPLE HEART

Died: 15 December 1944 (Previously reported to be a Prisoner of War 17 April 1943)

Place: Asiatic Area

Cause: Enemy action

Next of kin: Marye K. Hayes, Wife  
 808 Prince Street  
 Alexandria, Virginia

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Thomas H. Hayes

*POW 6 May '42*

ACCEPTED ORIGINAL  
APPOINTMENT:

BORN:  
Feb. 8, 1898

P. E. D. 8-22-24

	NO.	DATE OF RANK	DATE OF SELECTION BOARD	QUAL.	A. I.	NOM.	CONF.	REG.
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Act. Asst. Surgeon (Lieutenant (J.G.))								
Asst. Surgeon (Lieutenant (J.G.))	—	10 Jul. '24		7-10-24	7-19-24	12-2-24	1-29-25	3-7-25
P. A. Surgeon (Lieutenant)	28	1 Jul. '27		11-5-27	11-11-27	12-5-27	12-19-27	2-19-28
Surgeon (Lt. Commander)	20	30 Jun. '37	Apr. 10, '36	7-16-38	7-20-38	12-29-38	1-12-39	2-3-39
Medical Inspector (Commander)	"	1 Jan. '42	Temporary Executed Oath of Office on 1/6/42					
Medical Director (Captain)	"	JAN 1 '42	JAN 24 1941 DEC 10 '42			DEC 11 '42	DEC 14 '42	JAN 2 1941 DEC 21 '42
Medical Director (Rear Admiral)								
Rear Admiral Upper Half								

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Died: 9 Jan. '45, Enemy Action

On 18 August 1945 a posthumous commission was issued for advancement to the grade of Medical Director with the rank of Captain on accordance with section 3 of an Act of Congress approved 28 July 1942 (Public Law 680 - 77th Congress).

Appointed from a citizen of Virginia

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# APPLICATION FOR TRANSPORTATION FOR DEPENDENTS

VO SQUADRON 9M, Fleet Marine Force  
t. Thomas, V. I.

May 6, 1936  
(Date)

From: Lieut. T. H. Hayes (MC) USN.

To: Bureau Navigation, Navy Dept. Washington, D.C.

Subject: Transportation for dependents.

Reference: Section 11, Chapter 16, Marine Corps Manual.

Inclosures: (a) Original change of station orders dated April 25, 1936.

(b) Two certified copies of inclosure (A).

1. Having received orders detaching (transferring) me from duty at (on) Norfolk Naval Hospital, Norfolk, Va., and ordering me to permanent duty at (on) St. Thomas, V. I., it is requested that transportation be furnished the following named dependent members of my family from Norfolk, Va., to St. Thomas, V. I. with stop-over at

(Name place—e. g., Chicago, Ill., 4 days)

(a) Wife: Mary K. Hayes

(b) Children: Thomas Hirst Hayes Jr. born Feb. 24, 1933, Male  
(Name, date of birth, and sex—e. g., Mary Doe, born 10 June 1922, female)

2. I, THOMAS HIRST HAYES, certify that the person named in paragraph 1 (a) is my wife, and I further certify that Thomas Hirst Hayes Jr. is my legitimate child, will be 4 years of age, respectively, at next birthday, and is a member of my household; that said child is not possessed of property or income adequate for its support and education; that it is not the beneficiary, or beneficiaries, either directly or through others, of any trust or estate entitling it to income adequate for its support and education; that said child is in fact now and at all times solely dependent on me; that in all respects I maintain the child at my own expense and from my own resources and am not reimbursed therefor directly or indirectly in any manner or form whatsoever; \*and that evidence of the child's dependency upon me and my maintenance of it has been filed with my pay accounts and is hereby made a part hereof.

3. If transportation is furnished to other than my new station, I hereby waive additional transportation under attached orders and certify that the remainder of the trip to my new station will be completed within a reasonable period at the expense of myself or my dependents.

THOMAS HIRST HAYES

Bureau of Navigation,  
(Station)

23 June 1936  
(Date)

Value of transportation furnished—From Norfolk, Va. to St. Thomas, V. I. \$

Value of transportation entitled to—From " to "

Excess cost collected

E. M. Broadbent,  
(Signature of issuing officer)  
Commander, U. S.

(OVER)

\* In the case of officers drawing rental and subsistence allowances with dependents, including a wife, this clause may be omitted.

THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY  
WASHINGTON

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the BRONZE STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CAPTAIN THOMAS HIRST HAYES  
MEDICAL CORPS  
UNITED STATES NAVY

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For heroic service as a Prisoner of the Japanese on board the Japanese Prison Ship ORYOKU MAUR en route from Manila, Philippine Islands, to Japan on December 15, 1944. When the ship was repeatedly bombed by Allied planes, Captain (then Commander) Hayes worked tirelessly to alleviate the intense suffering of his fellow prisoners caused by lack of air, water and food and aided those wounded by the bombing. When the order was given to abandon ship, he assisted in getting the sick and wounded off the stricken vessel and, upon reaching shore at Olangapo, Philippine Islands, set up an aid and rescue station to treat those who almost drowned. By his courageous and dogged efforts in the face of strong enemy opposition, he enabled many weakened and drowning prisoners to reach shore, thereby contributing materially to the saving of many lives. His courage, initiative and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Captain Hayes and the United States Naval Service."

The Combat "v" is authorized

For the President

JOHN L. SULLIVAN  
Secretary of the Navy

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THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY  
WASHINGTON

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the GOLD STAR in lieu of the Second Legion of Merit posthumously to

COMMANDER THOMAS HIRST HAYES  
MEDICAL CORPS  
UNITED STATES NAVY

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services to the government of the United States as Senior Medical Officer of the FOURTH Regiment, United States Marine Corps, and of all Naval Forces engaged in the defense of Corregidor against enemy Japanese forces in 1942. Organizing a regimental base hospital with a chain of treatment-evacuation lines connecting with outlying first aid stations maintained by battalions and companies engaged in beach defenses, Commander Hayes repeatedly exposed himself to intense enemy fire to supervise this field organization. His courageous efforts, were in large measure responsible for its efficient functioning throughout the enemy's concentrated bombing and shelling attack in March and April. By his professional skill and devotion to duty throughout, Commander Hayes upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President

/s/ JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy

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In reply address not the signer of this  
letter, but Bureau of Naval Personnel,  
Navy Department, Washington, D. C.  
Refer to No. Pers-328 -OS

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NAVY DEPARTMENT  
BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.



12 October 1945

Mrs. Marye K. Hayes,  
808 Prince Street,  
Alexandria, Virginia.

Dear Mrs. Hayes:

The Bureau has the honor to inform you of the award of the  
Purple Heart and certificate to your late husband,

COMMANDER THOMAS H. HAYES, U. S. NAVY

in accordance with General Order 186 of January 21, 1943 which  
reads in part as follows:

"The Secretary of the Navy is further authorized  
and directed to award the Purple Heart posthumously,  
in the name of the President of the United States, to  
any persons who, while serving in any capacity with  
the Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard of the United  
States, since December 6, 1941, are killed in action  
or who die as a direct result of wounds received in  
action with an enemy of the United States, or as a  
result of an act of such enemy."

The medal is being forwarded under separate cover. Please  
acknowledge receipt on the enclosed form.

By direction of the Chief of Naval Personnel.

Sincerely yours,

D. H. Northrup,  
Commander, U.S.N.R.,  
Medals and Awards.

Enclosures

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

R:AF

From: Bureau of Medicine & Surgery, Navy Department, Washington, D.C.

To: Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Navy Department, Washington, D. C.

(See Circular Letter R-6, Appendix D, Manual of the Medical Department, for instructions)

1. Name **HAYES, Thomas First** **59043** Rank or rate **Comdr. (MC), USN**  
 2. Born: Place **Philadelphia, Pa.** Date **2-8-98**  
 3. Nationality **White, U.S.** Religion **Prot.**  
 (White—U. S., Colored, Samoan, etc.) (Denomination)  
 4. Eyes **Gray** Hair **Brown** Complexion **Ruddy** Height **67** Weight **165**  
 5. Marks, scars, etc. (noted in health record)

FINGERPRINT

6. Relation, name and address of next of kin or friend **Wife: Marya K. Hayes**  
**137 S. Fairfax**  
**Alexandria, Va.** State which finger (Right Index preferred)  
**RECEIVED**  
**INTAKE & FILES UNIT**

7. Original admission: Place **POW & NP BUR., NAVY DEPT., WASH., D.C.** Date **15 December 1944**  
 (Ship or station to which attached when first admitted to sick list)

8. Died: Place **Asiatic Area** Date **12-15-44** Hour

9. Cause of death { Principal **KILLED IN ACTION, DETAILS NOT KNOWN 2545** Key Letter **K**  
 Contributory

10. Death **is not** the result of own misconduct and **is** in the line of duty.  
 (Is or is not) (Is or is not)

11. Disposition of remains **Not recovered**

12. Summary of facts relative to the death: Deceased was lost at sea when the Japanese prison ship on which he was being transported as a prisoner of war from the Philippine Islands to Japan was bombed and sunk 15 December 1944. This certificate prepared with information furnished by BuPers in a determination of death dated 28 July 1945.

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D. R. KOHLI  
Lieut., (MC), USN

In reply address not the signer of this letter, but Bureau of Naval Personnel, Navy Department, Washington 25, D.C.

Refer to No.

NAVY DEPARTMENT  
BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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31 OCT 1946

Mrs. Thomas H. Hayes,  
137 South Fairfax Street,  
Alexandria, Virginia.

Dear Mrs. Hayes,

The Chief of Naval Personnel has the honor to forward herewith the awards of the American Defense Service Medal and World War II Victory Medal made posthumously to your husband, the late **Commander Thomas H. Hayes, United States Navy.**

In order that you may understand the significance of the above awards there is enclosed a bulletin which sets forth the regulations governing their issuance. For your further information the area campaign medals to which he may be entitled will not be ready for distribution until a much later date.

Please acknowledge receipt on the enclosed form.

By direction of Chief of Naval Personnel:

Sincerely yours,

Assistant to Director,  
Medals and Awards

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9 November 1945

*Brp*  
Mrs. Marye K. Hayes  
316 South Pitt Street  
Alexandria, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Hayes:

Reference is made to this Bureau's letter of 4 August 1945 in which you were informed that your husband, Commander Thomas Hirst Hayes, United States Navy, lost his life on 15 December 1944, while a prisoner of war of the Japanese government.

Information now received from survivors discloses that your husband, who had been held captive by the Japanese was placed aboard the Orioco Maru, an 8000 ton Jap liner, which embarked from Manila Bay on 13 December 1944 apparently enroute to Japan. Shortly after getting underway, and on the following day, the ship, which bore no mark to indicate that it was carrying prisoners of war, was strafed and bombed by planes and a number of men were wounded.

On 15 December 1944 the ship was again bombed and was sunk off Olongapo, Subic Bay, Philippine Islands. Your husband was a survivor of this sinking, but he was recaptured and placed aboard another Jap ship bound for Japan which arrived in Takao Harbor, Formosa on about 30 December 1944. While the ship was still in harbor on 9 January 1945, a bomb landed killing about 350 men who were in the hold. Your husband was among those killed.

In view of the foregoing information the records of the Navy Department have been corrected to indicate that the death of your husband occurred on 9 January 1945.

Sincere sympathy is again extended to you in your great loss.

By direction of Chief of Naval Personnel.

Sincerely yours,

H. B. ATKINSON  
Commander, USNR  
Officer in Charge  
Casualty Section.

DELETED PRISON IDENTIFICATION  
オーストラリア捕虜収容所  
THE CONCENTRATION CAMP AT O'DONNEL

俘虜身分調書  
PRISONER'S IDENTIFICATION CARD

1	姓名 Name THOMAS HAYES	年齢 Age 44
2	所屬別 Name of Organization Navy	
	(a) 階級 Present Rank Commander, Medical Corps	
3	所屬部隊名 Name of Division Medical Department, Asiatic Fleet	
4	應役當時現役ナリシヤ又ハ豫備役ナリシヤ Reserve or active when called to the colors Active	
5	應役種別 Kind of call	
6	俘虜トナリタル地名 Place where captured Corregidor, PI.	
7	特殊技能 Specialized work Orthopedic Surgery	
8	家族現住所 Address of family 137 South Fairfax St., Alexandria, Virginia	
9	摘要 Remarks	
10	Reasons for joining the Army Career	
11	Financial Standing Rich Well to do Yes Poor	
12	Family:	
	(A) Father THOMAS HAYES Age 70 Present Occupation Retired	
	(B) Mother Deceased AGE Present Occupation	
	(C) Wife Marye HAYES Age 50 Present Occupation Housewife	
	(D) Children: Boys One Girls None	
13	Sickness, if any Beri-Beri., Inguinal hernia, left.	

## Eugene Rogers Interview

Rogers: Dr. Hayes and Dr. Wade were with the 4th Marines up in Shanghai. They went down to the Phillipines right before the war started. They were there with us and got interned. He was sugeon, and worked with us. He was in the #1 Hole when our ship at Furmosa got a direct hit. We got about 450 corpsmen and doctors that got killed in that first hole, and I was in Hole #2. That's the only reason I'm here. He was good. He went out to Corregidor for awhile, Malinta Tunnel. They set up a little hospital in the tunnel. There is nothing I couldn't say but what is good about him. He was one of those that was kind of aggressive.... He meant what he said.

Jan: Were you there (Bilibid), also?

Rogers: Sure was, three years. We worked there in the pharmacy , and worked with him a lot. Dr. Hayes, we used to hold sick call together.

Jan: I got a letter from somebody in Washington state whose father was a Dr. Welch.

Rogers: Dr. Welch. We had two Welches. There was a Dr. Cecil Welch, who was an X-ray doctor, and another Dr. Welch, who I think was a lab man on specialty, but I forget his name. You don't suppose that was Dr. Cecil Welch? He was an X-ray doctor, and he was in the #1 Hole in Furmosa that got a direct hit.

Jan: He was with Dr. Hayes then?

Rogers: Right. But he used to work in the dispensary there and hold sick call with us. One thing he came out with-- we had so many tropical ulcers there-- he came up with a little bit of X-ray treatment and then he had sulfanilamide powder and calamine lotion, we mixed it together and called it mud. We put it on those sores and they'd heal up just so good. We had no bandages to put on them. We just painted it with that-- it was really a good thing to heal those tropical ulcers up with.

Jan: Reading that diary sounded like a horror.

Rogers: Like a nightmare. They put us right on (the ships). We went on up to Lingayan Gulf and we got on a boat where they'd taken the horses off. They didn't even clean them or nothing. We had to go up to Furmosa. I think it took about seven weeks to make that trip. That was a long time.

# REPORT OF CASUALTY

NAVPERS-2059 (REV. 1-45)

5 OCT 1945

NAME (Last) (First)		RANK OR RATING	BRANCH	FILE OR SERV. No.
HAYES Thomas Mount		PO-1	NAVY	50013
CASUALTY CONTROL NO.	DUTY ATTACHMENT	CASUALTY STATUS		
34394-Y-83-20 8	4th Marines, 1st Marine Div.	Prisoner of War to Determined Dead		
CASUALTY CODE	ENEMY ACTION	CAUSE OF CASUALTY		
6800 to 8321	Yes	Unknown Action		
DATE OF CASUALTY	PLACE OF CASUALTY	AREA		
9 Jan. 1945		Solomon		
DATE OF APPT. OR ENLIST.	PLACE OF ENLISTMENT	PREVIOUS DUTY		
22 Aug. 1929		1st Lt. 1st Div.		
STATE CREDIT	(Street) (City) (County)	(State)	NAVAL DISTRICT	
400 Washington Ave.		VA.		
DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH (City)	(State)	MARITAL STATUS	DEPEND. RACE
8 Feb. 1908			Married	White
NOTIFICATION OF NEXT OF KIN				
<input type="checkbox"/> By Local Activity		<input type="checkbox"/> By Letter		<input type="checkbox"/> By BuPers By Telegram
<input type="checkbox"/> No Notification				
NAME(S) OF NEXT OF KIN	RELATIONSHIP(S)	ADDRESS(ES)		
Major K. Hayes		1st Lt. 1st Div. Alexandria, Va.		
Thomas Mount Hayes, Jr.				
Evidence establishing casualty status.		DATE		
Public Law 435 rec'd 26 July 1945		2 Oct. 1945 (88)		

DEATH  
PAYMENTS

FORWARD FILE COPY

BY DIRECTION OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL PERSONNEL

H. D. ATKINSON  
Commander, USNR  
Officer in Charge  
Casualty Section  
J. C. JACOBS  
CAPTAIN, USN  
DIRECTOR OF THE DEPENDENTS  
WELFARE DIVISION